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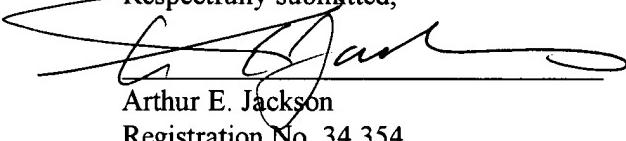
RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in reply to the communication mailed 09 April 2002 from the Patent Office, entitled "Notification of Defective Response". A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

Applicants were not aware that Deposit Account No. 50-0258 had insufficient funds at the time the Response to Missing Requirements was filed. Applicants have since remedied that situation by replenishing the account. Therefore, the \$130.00 surcharge for filing the missing requirements of the application should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0258. The two month extension fee should also be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0258. If there are any additional fees due in connection with this response, they too should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0258. Any overpayment or refund should be credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0258.

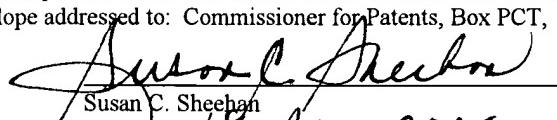
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- o The request for an extension of time (37 CFR 1.136(a)) filed 02/26/2002 is defective because the required fee is missing/insufficient. Extension of time fees are listed at 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5).

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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